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CDBG/General Fund and ESG Programs FY 2013-2014 Application for Funds Workshop

On November 28, 2012, the City of Durham will release applications for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), City of Durham general funds, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs for the FY 2013-2014 period. All applications must be submitted by 2:00 PM on Thursday, January 10, 2013.

All federal funds are provided to the City through an annual entitlement grant administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In

June 2012, the Durham City Council approved dedicated general funds for affordable housing activities. Both the federal funds and a portion of the local general funds will be distributed through this competitive application process. Concurrent with Council approval of dedicated general funds for affordable housing, a five-year funding plan was presented to Council. That funding plan specifies the proposed use of federal and general funds over that five year period. Accordingly, the activities and funding amounts for FY 13-14 which are subject to competitive award are specified below. Applications requesting funding for activities not specified will be deemed ineligible and will not be considered.

<u>CDBG</u> funds to be awarded through this application process are limited to public service activities which address homelessness. Approximately \$138,000 in funding is expected to be available of which approximately \$74,000 is reserved for the Durham County Department of Social Services for homelessness prevention. No <u>HOME</u> funds will be awarded through the application process. The City expects to receive approximately \$150,000 in <u>ESG</u> funds. For FY 13-14, the five year funding strategy includes <u>dedicated general funds</u> to be awarded through this application process for the following activities:

<u>NECD and SWCD Inventory:</u> Up to \$300,000 is available to complete previously assisted housing activities in these two neighborhoods. "Previously assisted" is limited to properties in which CDBG, HOME, NSP or General Funds have been invested, properties acquired from the City of Durham and the remaining 37 homeownership units needed to complete DHA's HOPE VI project.

<u>Match/Gap Financing for Housing Persons with Special Needs:</u> Up to \$250,000 is available as match or gap financing in the creation of permanent supportive housing for households with incomes at or below 30% of the area median income (AMI).

Other (Reallocation of Preiss-Steele Place funding): The funding strategy for FY 13-14 includes \$720,000 for the financial restructuring of Preiss-Steele Place which is no longer required. Preiss-Steele Place is a 102-unit affordable housing project serving near elderly (senior) and disabled individuals. Given the need in the community for affordable housing serving vulnerable populations such as seniors and persons with disabilities, viable applications requesting funding to preserve or increase the supply of housing serving such populations will be considered through this application process.

Application Workshop

Eligible non-profit and business entities interested in applying for assistance are encouraged to attend a workshop discussing the Application process on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 beginning at 10 AM at the City of Durham's Solid Waste Department's Auditorium located at 1833 Camden Avenue, Durham, NC 27704. Beginning Wednesday, November 28, the application can be downloaded at http://durhamnc.gov/ich/cb/cdd/Pages/Home.aspx and will be disseminated at this workshop. For additional information, please contact Wilmur Conyers, Federal Programs Coordinator at (919) 560-4570, ext. 22277 or via email at wilmur.conyers@durhamnc.gov.

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